Dear Hugh,

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I have been informed by that the Bureau of Intelligence and Research has recently decided to postpone indefinitely the production of NIS Key Personalities on Communist China scheduled for completion in June 1961.

This publication was to have comprised some 700 biographies on important Communist officials, of which our Biographic Register has already contributed to INR some 90 biographies on key scientific and technical persons in Communist China.

In view of the urgent need now for comprehensive biographic intelligence on Communist China, I should hope that you could find means of producing this publication as scheduled.

Sincerely,

/s/ on 30 Jan 61

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